

Ledges Shelter

Truxell Road

Peninsula vicinity , Cuyahoga Valley National Recreational Area

Summit County

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Location: Truxell Road, Peninsula vicinity, Summit County, Ohio

Significance: Structures such as the Ledges shelter made the Cuyahoga Valley area more accessible for recreational use. These buildings represent the work of the Civilian Conservation Corps in the area.

Description: The building is a thirteen-room picnic shelter on a cruciform plan. On the east end of the building is a covered outdoor picnic area. The building also contains a two-story caretaker's residence. The wood used throughout chestnut, and the stone is local sandstone.

History: This was the first building project of the Civilian Conservation Corps in what was then the Virginia Kendall Park of the Akron Metropolitan Park System. The architect, Albert H. Good, came from Akron and later served as a consultant to the National Park Service. The building has always been used as a picnic shelter, and is now part of the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area.

Source: Telephone conversation with Paulette Oswick, Architectural Historian, Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area, July 18, 1988.

Historian: Robert Buerglener, HABS, July 18, 1988.